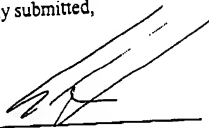


CONCLUSION

Consideration of this preliminary amendment is requested. Applicant submits that the claims all define novel and non-obvious subject matter. Applicant asserts that all claims remaining in this application are proper and respectfully requests allowance of all pending claims.

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